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- 1. During February 1947, Meier & Weichelt, Leipzig, produced fiftyfour tons of "Temperguss" for caterpillar tracks intended to be
 used exclusively on T-34 tanks. A new order, amounting to 4.5
 million marks, was placed by the Russians and production of fifty
 to fifty-five tons was anticipated in March.
- 2. Employee strength at Meier & Weichelt remained at 3,300 during February.
- 3. Throughout the winter of 1946-1947, the Meier & Weichelt plant suffered no shortages of coal or electricity.

25X1 4 unable to secure any information confirming the reported production of sixty-five centimeter wide caterpillar tracks at this plant.

Comment: An October-November 1946 report on this firm, by stated that 3,200 persons were employed. The same source stated, "Plans for 1947 include the production each month of 15,000 caterpillar tracks of a new type track with a width of sixty-five centimeters."

* Malleable cast iron.

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